

**Response to Missing Requirements Under
35 USC § 371**

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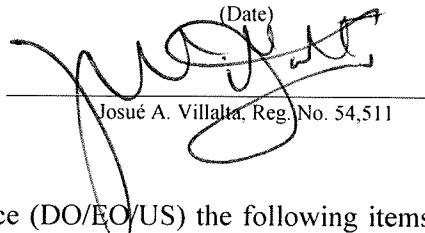
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- (X) Copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 USC 371 dated October 8, 2008.
- (X) An Oath or Declaration signed by the inventors (35 USC 371(c)(4)) in 1 pages.
- (X) Power of attorney form and copy of assignment in 3 pages.

FILING FEES NOT YET PAID:

FEE CALCULATION				
FEES TYPE		LARGE FEE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Late Oath/Decl.	37 CFR § 1.492(h)	1617 (\$130)		\$130
Excess Claims	4 - 20 = 0	1615 (\$52)	0 x 50 =	\$0
Excess Ind. Claims	1 - 3 = 0	1614 (\$220)	0 x 210 =	\$0
			SUB TOTAL	\$130
			TOTAL FEE DUE	\$130

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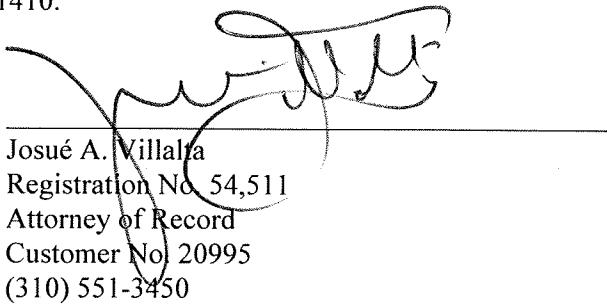
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as an Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495):

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 06/22/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 06/22/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 06/22/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 06/22/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 06/22/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 06/22/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 06/22/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 06/22/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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